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	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Plumbly
	United States of America	Mr. Hume

Agenda

The situation in Burundi

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The meeting was called to order at 6.20 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

The situation in Burundi

The President *(interpretation from Spanish):* The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

I should like to draw the attention of the members of the Council to document S/1995/76, which contains the text of a letter dated 25 January 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires *ad interim* of the Permanent Mission of Burundi to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council.

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council, which has been following closely developments in Burundi, has learned with concern that the situation in the country has deteriorated considerably over the last few days.

"In this context, the Security Council deeply deplores the pronouncements made by the leadership of one political party which calls for the withdrawal of the Prime Minister and the overthrow of his Government by all means available.

"The Security Council denounces such attempts to threaten by way of intimidation the coalition Government which was established in line with the Convention of Government of 10 September 1994. It further condemns the extremist groups that continue to undermine the national reconciliation process.

"The Security Council calls upon all parties and others concerned, in particular the national security forces, to refrain from committing acts of violence and to give support to the Government institutions established in line with the above-mentioned Convention.

"The Security Council requests the Secretary-General to continue to keep it fully informed of developments in Burundi. The Council will remain actively seized of the matter."

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The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The meeting rose at 6.25 p.m.